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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 21, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and entry of the following amendments to the claims. This Amendment is accompanied by a Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Agent, Petition for Extension of Time, Information Disclosure Statement, Request for Continued Examination and payment of the necessary fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.